## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 703**

## By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to recognize Susan Johnson on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers; and

WHEREAS, Susan Johnson is one such estimable person who has served with distinction since 2012 as executive director of Habitat for Humanity Sumner County and will soon take her much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, shortly after Ms. Johnson assumed her position, Habitat for Humanity Sumner County opened a ReStore in Gallatin at her direction; during her tenure, she has overseen the fundraising and construction of twenty-seven new homes as well as the initiation and oversight of the Critical Repair Program, which serves low-income veterans, seniors, and disabled homeowners in the county; and

WHEREAS, Susan Johnson has also initiated theme builds, including the Apostles Build, the Raise the Roof Build, the Sumner Realtors Build, and the Home Builders Blitz, and has overseen a number of community events, including the annual Raise the Roof luncheon, the Women Building the Community after-hours event, and the Habitat Volunteer Recognition/Christmas party; and

WHEREAS, her advocacy has enabled dozens of Sumner County families to fulfill their hopes and dreams of homeownership, which will impact families and the community at large for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining Habitat for Humanity Sumner County, Susan Johnson was the head women's basketball coach at Georgetown College in Kentucky for thirty-three years;

during her coaching career, she served on the Scott County, Kentucky, Habitat for Humanity board of directors for eight years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson is a leader in her community and an active member of the Gallatin Rotary Club, the Gallatin and Hendersonville Chambers of Commerce, and First Presbyterian Church of Gallatin; and

WHEREAS, Susan Johnson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Ms. Johnson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Susan Johnson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.